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JUNE MUSTER CALL

date: Thursday
9 June 1988
time: 6:15 p.m.
Mess Call
place: Wyatt's Cafeteria
Hancock Center

Several important items need to be decided this month and we desperately need your input and suggestions. We hope you will bring your family and friends and come to the meeting. This month's program will be brought by Compatriot Rob Jones. Rob is one of the early members of this camp. After receiving his law degree, he moved to his family home in Chatfield and practices law in Corsicana. His talk, we understand, is to be on some aspect of the law in the Confederate States of America. Come to the meeting to find out the exact nature of his program.



LITTLEFIELD PICNIC

It has been decided that since we did such a wonderful job of memorializing Major George Washington Littlefield on Confederate Heroes Day in January that we will count that event as our annual Littlefield Memorial Service.

However, we cannot let a chance to have a social go by without doing something about it. So, our annual LITTLEFIELD PICNIC will be held on Sunday, 12 June 1988, starting at 4:00p.m. The menu and other details will be worked out at the June meeting; so here is another reason for you to attend your monthly camp meeting. The Picnic, which is the SCV social event of the year for members and their families during the summer will be held at Cdr. Rodney and Patsy Leist's, 6403 Avery Island Ave., Austin. You will certainly want to bring your family to this one.

THE CONFEDERACY:

MARYLAND

Though our series on the eleven states of the CSA is ended, it would be incomplete without mentioning three other states which, though not considered an official part of the Confederacy, figured prominently in the history of the Confederate States of America.

Maryland remained indecisive during the sectional conflict preferring compromise and neutrality. The eastern portion of the state had strong ties to the South; the western portion was bound to the North. The state would eventually stay in the Union but not without serious trauma.

First bloodshed occurred 19 April 1861 on President St. in Baltimore. The 6th Mass. Militia marching en route to Washington was pelted with paving stones by angry pro-secessionists. Shots were fired; four soldiers and 12 Baltimoreans died. The South was angered, and poet James Ryder Randall penned "Maryland, My Maryland".

To Lincoln, Maryland was a vital border state that had to be kept in the Union. For one month their governor delayed calling the Legislature into session which blocked secessionists from pressuring the Legislature into calling a secession convention. The Federal government supervised state affairs. Elections were manipulated, Unionists were installed in key political posts, the writ of habeas corpus was suspended, and arrests of "subversives" ran rampant (Baltimore's mayor and 19 legislators).

A host of battles and skirmishes took place in central Maryland. Gen. Lee invaded in 1862 but met with little success in recruiting. Hard fighting culminated in the Battle of Sharpsburg on 17 Sept.; Lee retreated to Virginia. Confederates returned during Early's raid on Washington. After early successes and then skirmishing around Ft. Stevens, he decided against assaulting the capital and retired.



ADJUTANT'S REPORT

It is my pleasure to report that the camp is basically doing very well. We have a steady stream of new applicants. Fiscally we are also doing well. Our one drawback this year seems to be in the area of member retention. Ten members are unpaid and are in danger of being automatically suspended from the rolls on the first of July if their dues are not received. They have all been personally notified. However, as membership should perhaps be all of our jobs, if you know any one of these men, you might want to contact them. Maybe with your personal interest, we might be able to keep all these men as camp members. After all the South and Camp #59, now more than ever, needs all her sons.

The Compatriots in danger of being suspended are: BOB COLLARD, TATE JORDAN, PAST CDR. BRUCE MARSHALL, EDDIE SAUCE, JAMES L. STEVENSON, SCOTT R. STUBBS, CARL TUMEY, LEVI WARD, J. SAM WINTERS, and CHRIS E. YOUNG.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

CONVENTION CALL

The 1988 Annual Convention of the Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Texas Society of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars will be held at the WESTCHASE HILTON, 9999 Westheimer, Houston # (713) 974-1000, JUNE 24 & 25, 1988. Make your own overnight reservations with the hotel. Give "SCV Convention" as your reference code in order to receive discount rates of \$45 per room (single or double). Reservations must be made before midnight 11 June 1988 for the discounted rate.

Friday's schedule will open with early registration at 2:00p.m. There is a welcome reception at 6:00p.m. Meetings are scheduled starting at 7:30p.m. On Saturday, opening ceremonies will begin at 8:30a.m. Meetings will continue until the afternoon. A feature of each convention is a luncheon and banquet. Reservations are required for each. Luncheon tickets are \$10/each; banquet tickets are \$20/each. Reservations must be made by 10 June. There is no convention fee as this is covered by your division dues.

The Convention this year conflicts with the Battle of Gettysburg. We requested a schedule change early on, but were told it was too late to accomodate us. Therefore, most of the Camp who usually attend these functions will be in Pennsylvania during this time. We really need for those of you who have never attended to take part this year. We have prided ourselves on always having 100% plus of our designated delegates in attendance. Please plan on going this year; we will need at least six members to represent us. Notify the commander at or before this month's meeting if you will consider representing us.

A registration form is included in this newsletter. Don't forget the deadlines.

WE'RE INVITED

The Texas Division United Daughters of the Confederacy Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter #105 requests the pleasure of our company for Tea Saturday 11 June 1988 at 2:00p.m. in the Lt. Governor's Reception Room of the State Capitol. The tea will honor Chapter Officers, the Crozier Chapter C of C, scholarship recipients. The Winnie Davis Medal will be awarded as well as Crosses of Military Service. Compatriot Marlow Taylor is scheduled to receive a Cross.

If you wish to attend, it will cost \$4/person, and you should RSVP by June 1st to #476-1965.



MORE CONFEDERATE DONATIONS

Two worthwhile organizations were voted at our May meeting to receive monies from our Confederate treasury (not in Confederate but in Yankee greenbacks). Twenty-five dollars were donated to the 1988 Veterans Day Parade Committee. Twenty-five dollars were also donated to Robert E. Lee Elementary School. The principal stated that she was planning on using the money to buy books on Lee for the Library and that our name would be in the frontispiece as the donor.



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STARS AND BARS



1988 ANNUAL CONVENTION
REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Camp _____

Address _____ Office Held _____

MOSB Office Held _____

Name of spouse/guest _____

Ladies Shopping Tour ☐ Yes ☐ No Staying at Hilton ☐ Yes ☐ No

My Check is enclosed:

Luncheon: \$10.00 each for _____ persons = \$ _____

Banquet : \$20.00 each for _____ persons = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

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